

DETAILED ACTION

Petition Under 1.181(a)(3)

1. The petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.181 filed on March 31, 2008 ("March 2008 Petition") asking for asking for consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed August 1, 2003 has been delegated by the Group Director to the Examiner of record in this application and is hereby treated as a request for reconsideration. The reason for this delegation is that the points raised in the March 2008 Petition are agreed with and the relief requested is granted in full.

Information Disclosure Statement

2. The Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed on August 1, 2003 was previously considered by an examiner. Applicants were provided copies of the 1449 on January 5, 2007 and March 25, 2008. Neverthelss, the references have been reconsidered and a copy of the IDS is attached.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 11, 12 and 16-23 were allowed (see the attached Supplement Amendment).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jalatee Worjloh whose telephone number is 571-272-6714. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday 10:00 - 6:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Andrew Fischer can be reached on 571-272-6779. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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